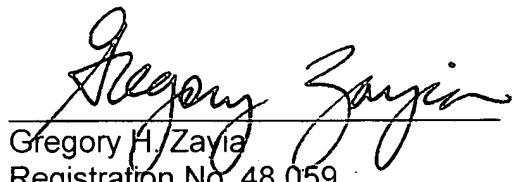


## REMARKS

For examination purposes only, Applicant hereby elects without traverse the claims of Group II (i.e., claims 11-21 and 25-27).

Applicant submits that the application is now ready for examination on the merits. If the Examiner identifies any additional issues of a formal nature that might be expediently resolved by a telephone discussion, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned agent directly at (312)-321-4257.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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